

## **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

### **RS18526**

This is a fiscal year 2009 supplemental appropriation to the Industrial Commission for the Crime Victims Compensation Program in the amount of \$500,000 of which \$450,000 is from dedicated funds and \$50,000 is from federal funds.

Funding is provided to offset significant increases in payments made on behalf of eligible crime victims for fiscal years 2007 and 2008. During that period, medical expenses incurred by eligible victims grew by 45% for FY 2007 and 23% for FY 2008 which significantly outpaced the program's annual medical inflation adjustment of 6%.

### **FISCAL NOTE**

This bill appropriates \$500,000 additional ongoing spending authority, of which, \$450,000 is from the Crime Victims Compensation Fund and \$50,000 is from federal funds.

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